Amendments to the Specification

[0035] With reference to Figures 5 to 9, the seating structure 10 includes a right side support 31 rotatably mounted on the L-shaped bar 9a, and a left side support 32 rotatably mounted on the L-shaped bar 9b. The right side and left side supports 31 and 32 are pivotally interconnected by a hinge 33 extending along the top surface of the right side and left side supports 31 and 32, and a hinged link, in the form of a tension-rod plate 36, pivotally interconnecting the bottom surfaces of the right side and left side supports 31 and 32. Positioning the hinge 33 on the top surfaces of the right ~~ride~~ and left side supports 31 and 32 prevents the ride and left side supports 31 and 32 from pinching anyone or anything, while the seating structure 10 is rotated into the use position. Additional support for the seating structure 10 is provided by a first cross brace 37 extending from the bottom surface of the right side support platform 31 to a first finger bracket 38 fixed to the cross bar 11b, and a second cross brace 39 extending from the bottom surface of the left side support platform 32 to a second finger bracket 40 fixed to the cross bar 11a. Both ends of the first and second cross braces 37 and 39 are pivotally connected to their respective mounting points.

[0036] The right side support 31 includes a sleeve 42a surrounding the horizontal portion of the L-shaped bar ~~bars~~ 9a, and a pair of J-shaped arms 43a extending therefrom for supporting a flat seating platform 44a. Similarly, the left side support 32 includes a sleeve 42b surrounding the horizontal portion of the L-shaped bar ~~bars~~ 9b, and pair of J-shaped arms 43b extending therefrom for supporting a flat seating platform 44b. A foam seat cover is placed over the flat seating platforms 44a and 44b covering the hinge 33. The seat cover can be made from two separate pieces 46a and 46b or from a single piece of foam-like material with a particularly flexible section covering the hinge 33. The flexible section could include several grooves extending thereacross to provide the required flexibility. Since the seat cover pieces 45a and 46b are made of foam, any accidental pinching therebetween will not result in any pain.

[0039] With reference to Figs. 6 to 9, a handle, in the form of a strap 62, which extends through openings in the first and second solid links 51 and 52, the struts 56 and 57, and the seat covers 46a and 46b, is used to manually pull up on the tension-rod plate 36, which pivots the first and second solid links 51 and 52 towards each other, and pivots the seat covers 46a and 46b towards each other (see Figure 8). Initial force pulling up on the strap 62 disengages the locking feature 61 and pivots the tension-rod plate 36, enabling the right and left supports 31 and 32 to pivot towards each other. Continued force pulling up on the strap 62 lifts the chassis 1 just off the ground, which folds the right and left side supports 31 and 32 towards each other, enabling the right and left side frames 6 and 7 to move closer together in the storage position (Figure 9). The strap 62 then acts as a useful handle for carrying the rollator device. Each flat seating platform 44a and 44b includes a shallow recess 70 (Fig. 1) in the seat covers 46a and 46b ~~upper surface thereof~~ for receiving the strap 62 to ensure the strap 62 does not cause discomfort to anyone sitting on the seating structure 10.